



CURTAIN RISING ON OPERA OPENS SOCIAL SEASON

Society Will Make a Brilliant Affair of the Inaugural Performance at the Metropolitan To-morrow Evening, and Will Turn Out in Full Force for the Occasion.

WITH the opening performance at the Metropolitan Opera House to-morrow night, New York's social season will begin, and from every indication, in spite of the war in Europe, promises to be a brilliant one. While January probably will not be marked by so many large private dances for the older set as in former years, this will be made up for by the numerous charitable entertainments planned.

From now until the end of December the debutantes will hold the centre of the stage, with receptions in their honor beginning this week and followed next month by large dinners, theatre parties and dances, including the first of the Junior Assemblies, at Sherry's, on December 1, which is attended by nearly all the "buds" of the season.

The opera to-morrow night will present as brilliant an appearance as ever, with every box in the parterre row, grand tier, stalls and orchestra seats filled with men and women of distinction, the latter wearing handsome gowns and magnificent jewels. There are comparatively few changes in the personnel of the boxes from last season. Mr. and Mrs. C. Oliver Jellin have taken the Bliss box, No. 8. Clarence H. Mackay will be in Box 28, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas F. Brady in Box 10, owned by the late H. C. Fahnestock; Mrs. William Watts Sherman and Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., will share Box 8, owned by George Peabody Wetmore; Mr. and Mrs. Moses Taylor James B. Haggin, 30, with William Andrews Clark, Charles Mather MacNeill, Mrs. Hamilton Fish and John D. Ryan, and Mrs. John Jacob Astor have taken Dr. W. Seward Webb's box, 22, for the odd Monday performances. These are about the only changes of note in the parterre row.

Society in New York will be represented at the wedding next Tuesday of Miss Sarah Augusta Letchford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Stark Letchford, and Endicott Fiske, son of Mrs. Arthur D. Fiske, which will take place at the home of the bride's parents in Morristown, N. J. Miss Letchford will be attended by her sister, Miss Marie B. Letchford. A reception will follow the ceremony.

In St. Thomas's Church next Thursday afternoon Miss Ursula Wolcott Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Hunter Brown, will become the bride of Edmund S. Twining, Jr., of this city. Mr. Frank S. Richardson will be the master of honor, and Miss Angelica Schuyler Brown, Miss Genevieve Sanford, Miss Kathryn Motley, Miss Mercedes de Acosta, Miss Goodwin Condit and Miss Lila Stillman the bridesmaids. Little Ursula Wolcott Griswold, Professor Roscoe Pound, Carter pro-

Hughes, of the Century Opera Company, will sing during the ceremony, which will be followed by a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Calhoun, 667 Madison av.

The marriage of Miss Constance Buel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Buel, to Vivian Burnett, son of Mrs. Frances Hodgson Burnett, will take place next Saturday at the home of the bride's parents, 130 East 65th st. Only relatives and intimate friends have been invited.

Miss Edith Norman Hunter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William R. Hunter, and Louis L. Lorillard will be married at Belaire, the villa of the bride's parents in Newport. The engagement was announced a short time ago.

One of the interesting engagements announced last week was that of Miss Emily Hope Hamilton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Hamilton, of 177 East 64th st., to Harry Livingston Kaufman, of Cleveland, son of the late Samuel R. Kaufman, of Marquette, Mich. Miss Hamilton made her debut two seasons ago. Before her formal introduction to society she acted as bridesmaid at the wedding of her cousin, Miss Marjorie Gould, who married Anthony J. Drexel, Jr., and later at the wedding of Miss Vivian Gould and Lord Decies. Her brother, Arthur Gould Hamilton, married Miss Elizabeth Van Heuten last January. Mr. Kaufman was graduated from Cornell University, and is a brother of Louis G. Kaufman and of Mrs. Edward N. Breitung, of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Corning, of 1 Lexington av., announced last Wednesday the engagement of their daughter, Miss Helen Corning, to C. Francis Beatty, son of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Beatty, of 125 Fort Greene Place, Brooklyn. Mr. Beatty was graduated from Amherst in 1912. No date has been set for the wedding.

Announcement was made on last Wednesday by Mrs. Melville E. Ingalls, of the engagement of her daughter, Miss Gladys Ingalls, to Frederick T. Murphy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Murphy, of 120 East 65th st. Miss Ingalls is the only daughter of Melville E. Ingalls, former president of the Big Four Railroad, who died last July at the Virginia Hot Springs. Two of her brothers, Fay Ingalls and Melville E. Ingalls, Jr., live in New York. Mrs. Ingalls and her daughter, who are now at Hot Springs, will go to California in January for the remainder of the winter. Mr. Murphy was graduated from Yale in 1908, and is a member of the Racquet and Tennis Club. The wedding will take place next spring at Ingleside, the home of the bride, at Hot Springs.

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Henry Hammond, Mrs. William D. Sloane, Mrs. Edward S. Harkness, Mrs. John E. Parsons, Mrs. Charles B. Alexander, Mrs. Elliott F. Shepard, Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt, Mrs. William B. Osgood Field, Mrs. George Leary, Whitney Warren, Mrs. William G. Rockefeller, Mrs. E. Morgan Grinnell, Mrs. Linzee Blagden, Mrs. H. O. Havemeyer, Mrs. Charles H. Ditson, Mrs. Ferdinand E. Canda, Miss Malvina Hoffman, Robert Goelet, Dave H. Morris and Frank A. Vanderlip.

Tickets may be had of the officers and the board of directors, who are taking an active interest in the success of these concerts. The best seats are \$5 and may be had at the office of the Music League, Room 1132, Aeolian Building. The officers of the league are: President, Mrs. H. O. Havemeyer; first vice-president, Mrs. Willard D. Straight; second vice-president, Mrs. Otto H. Kahn; third vice-president, Mrs. Linzee Blagden; secretary, Dave H. Morris; and treasurer, Alvin W. Krech. The directors are: Rawlins Cottrell, Rudolf E. F. Flinsch, Mrs. John Henry Hammond, Miss Malvina Hoffman and Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt.

The Big Sisters organization will give a dance on December 9 at the Ritz-Carlton, the proceeds to be devoted to the work done in the Children's Court by the organization. Tickets at \$4 each may be obtained from Mrs. Charles Dana Gibson at the office of the Big Sisters, Room 502, 200 Fifth av.

Among the patronesses are Mrs. Ogden L. Mills, Mrs. Frederick O. Peach, Mrs. W. Bourke Cockran, Mrs. W. Payne Thompson, Mrs. C. Oliver Jellin, Mrs. Frank Gray Griswold, Mrs. Stephen H. Olin and Mrs. Henry Rogers Winthrop.

The entire cast has been chosen for "Pandora's Box," the Greek Idyl, to be given under the auspices of the Vacation Committee, in the 7th Regiment Armory, Friday and Saturday, December 4 and 5, with the exception of Hephestus, which is the only character to be taken by a man. The rest of the cast is as follows: Pandora, Mrs. Frederick Y. Dalziel; Epimetheus, Miss Margaret Andrews; Hermes, Miss Marie Dorsey; Hore, Miss Angelica Brown; Goddesses—Hera, Miss Marjorie Curtis; Athena, Mrs. Jay Gould; Artemis, Miss Eleanor Lamson; and Aphrodite, Miss Barbara Rutherford. Daily rehearsals are being held at Miss Morgan's, 219 Madison av. Checks have been received for nearly one hundred boxes. A large number of seats have been taken for the Saturday afternoon performance, which will begin promptly at 2 o'clock and will be followed by a dance.

The initial meeting of the Constantinian College Association will be held on Wednesday afternoon next, at the home of Mrs. Helen Hartley Jenkins,



Boxes of the Parterre Row and Grand Tier Will Be Occupied by Well Known Persons.

iam Junghans, of 871 St. Nicholas av., Delmonico's on Wednesday afternoon and evening, Mrs. Emile Vatable, of this city, Mrs. Ralph Lyon, of 410 Riverside Drive, gave a tea last Saturday in honor of Mrs. Harvey Mudd, Halpers' Settlement will be held at Delmonico's on Wednesday afternoon and evening, Mrs. Emile Vatable, of 102 West 86th st., is treasurer. The patronesses include: Mrs. Louis H. Amy, Mrs. William Arnold, Mrs.



MISS MARIE THAYER
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MISS KATHERINE ROCHESTER
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the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William E. S. Griswold and a cousin of the bride, will be the flower girl. Richard Stevenson is to be Mr. Twining's best man, and the ushers will include Walter Chauncey, Charles Reed, Robert Grosvenor, Sinclair Richardson, Frank Burton, Alister Morris, John Pettie and Reginald Whitman. A reception will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Brown, 55 East 52d st.

Miss Julia J. Calhoun, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Calhoun, whose marriage to Baron Egbert de Nagell, of the legation of the Netherlands in Washington, will take place on December 8 in St. Thomas's Church, will have two matrons of honor—Mrs. Eugene E. du Pont, of Wilmington, Del., and Mrs. Newell W. Tilton, of this city. Her little nephew, John C. Calhoun, 24, will act as page. Jonathan W. H. de Beaufort is to be best man, and the ushers are to be D. Adams Calhoun, James E. Calhoun and John C. Calhoun, Jr., brothers of the bride; Count de Rechteren Limburg, Leavitt Jarvis Hunt and Eugene E. du Pont. The baron will wear the uniform of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem. Henry

fessor of jurisprudence at Harvard University, will give a lecture on "The Administration of Justice in the Modern City" on Tuesday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock in the ballroom of Delmonico's. This will be one of a series of lectures on present day problems to be given this season for the benefit of the White Door Settlement, of 211 Clinton st.

Among the patronesses for the lectures are: Mrs. John C. Breckinridge, Mrs. Frank E. Carter, Mrs. J. Chester Chamberlain, Mrs. Henry Sloane Coffin, Mrs. S. R. Galloway, Mrs. John Hays Hammond, Mrs. Edward S. Harkness, Mrs. William W. Lawrence, Mrs. Seth Milliken, Mrs. Gerrish H. Milliken, Mrs. Finley J. Shepard, Mrs. Charles T. Terry, Mrs. William V. S. Thorne and Miss Jane Anderson.

Tickets at \$2 each may be obtained from Mrs. John E. Wilson, treasurer, 260 West 78th st.

Among those interested are Mrs. John Bates Clark, Mrs. Benjamin Harrison, Mrs. Hamilton Holt, Mrs. Henry Villard, Miss M. Adele Nutting, Miss Susan H. Olmsted, Samuel T. Dutton and Albert Bushnell Hart.

A concert will be given next Friday afternoon at the Plaza for the benefit of the American Ambulance Hospital in Paris. Mme. Le Fontenay-Coudert, soprano; Miss Constance Purdy, contralto; George Harris, Jr., tenor; and Philippe Coudert, baritone, will sing. Among the patronesses are Baroness de Graffenried, Mrs. Frederic Coudert, Mrs. Henry W. Shoemaker, Mrs. Harold Perry Erskine, Mrs. John Adams Thayer, Mrs. Alexander Duer Irving, Mrs. Sophie West, Mrs. W. M. de Peyster, Miss Jeannette L. Glider and Miss Espe de Wauve.

Boxes and tickets may be obtained at the Plaza or from Miss Mabel Hammet, 400 Riverside Drive.

Mrs. Stephen H. Olin, Mrs. William Paul Dodge, Mrs. Oliver Harriman, Mrs. Henry C. Lewis, Mrs. Amory Carhart, Mrs. Robert Bacon, Mrs. Arthur Curtis

James, Mrs. H. Fairfield Osborn and Mrs. Pembroke Jones are among those who will give dinners and afterward take their guests to the Russian festival at the Biltmore, which is being arranged by Miss Barbara Rutherford for Tuesday evening, December 1, in aid of the Russian war sufferers. Tickets for the festival may be obtained from Miss Rutherford, at the Biltmore.

The Automobile Club of America, the Aero Club of America and the Motor Boat Club of America are holding a series of dances in the assembly rooms of the former organization on Saturdays in November. The entertainment committee includes James A. Blair, Jr., William Pierson Hamilton, Oliver Gould Jennings, Herbert S. Carpenter, Stephen Peabody, Malcolm D. Sloane, Frederick D. Underwood, Alan R. Hawley and Henry R. Taylor.

No date has been set for the wedding of Miss Katherine Rochester, whose engagement to Leland Stanford Briggs was recently announced.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Neilson Hinkley, who were married in Grace Church on October 22, have returned to the city from their wedding trip and are at their home, 51 West 55th st. Mrs. Hinkley was Miss Catherine Livingston Hamersley.

Miss Marie R. Thayer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Thayer, is one of the debutantes to be introduced to society during the winter.

Miss Emmy Destinn, Miss Frieda Hempel, Miss Lucieia Bori and Pasquale Amato are among the singers engaged to appear at Albert Morris Bagby's musical mornings on Mondays in December.

GENERAL SOCIAL NEWS AND NOTES

Engagements Just Announced and Details Completed for Future Weddings.

The wedding of Miss Antoinette Clearwater, the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Charles K. Clearwater, and George W. Platt, which was announced in September, will take place on Wednesday afternoon in the old Colonial Reformed Dutch Church of Newtown, at Elmhurst, Queens Borough.

Miss Lillian Clearwater, the sister of the bride, will be the maid of honor. The bridesmaids will be Miss Martha Emmons, of New York, and Miss Marion Weiler, of Brooklyn. Godfrey L. Platt will be his brother's best man and the ushers selected are Vivian E. Woodward, of New York; Chauncey G. Nichols, of Boston; and Ernest B. and W. Irving Platt, of Elmhurst.

The ceremony will be performed by the bride's father. A small reception will follow at the parsonage on Victor Place, Elmhurst.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Harris, of 808 West End av., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Josephine Harris, to Harry Kutscher, a son of Mrs. Isidor Kutscher, of Stapleton, Staten Island.

Miss Harris, who recently made her debut, has a very wide circle of friends here and in Texas, where she formerly lived. She is a graduate of Horace Mann School and Lassell Seminary, of Auburndale, Mass. Her father is one of the most prominent merchants in

Texas and is well known throughout the Southwest.

Mr. Kutscher, an attorney, is a graduate of the New York University Law School and is practicing in Manhattan and Richmond boroughs. He is a son of the late Isidor Kutscher, one of the most widely known merchants of Staten Island.

Announcement was made recently of the engagement of Miss Dorothy Marion Vail, daughter of Mrs. William Vail, of the Hotel Walton, 104 West 70th st., formerly of Tuxedo Park, to Walter E. Dietz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Dietz, of this city.

Miss Lenore Ryan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Francis Ryan, of 601 West 118th st., was married on Wednesday in St. Francis Xavier Church to Joseph Hudson. The bride wore a gown of white satin, trimmed with silver and lace, a tulle veil fastened with a wreath of orange blossoms, and she carried lilacs-of-the-valley and white roses. Her attendants were Miss Mary Shannon, Miss Anna Hudson, Miss Katherine McNeil, Miss Mary Cummings and Miss Mabel Robinson. They were all dressed alike, in yellow satin, trimmed with lace of the same shade. They wore brown velvet hats and carried yellow chrysanthemums.

Andrew Hudson was his brother's best man, and the ushers were John Walsh, James I. Burke, Andrew O'Neill, William Hudson, John Hudson and Joseph Ryan. The ceremony was followed by a reception and breakfast at the Plaza.

Mrs. Harvey Mudd, of Los Angeles, Cal., formerly Miss Mildred Esterbrook of this city, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Richard Esterbrook, of 545 West 111th st.

The marriage of Miss Bertha Junghans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Will-

of Los Angeles, Cal., and Miss Bertha Junghans.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ralston, of 205 West 79th st., gave a dinner Wednesday evening in honor of Miss Estelle Hall and James P. Silo, Jr., who are to be married November 24. Among the guests were Miss Eloise Sherin, Mr. and Mrs. Jean Wagner, S. Rathbun and Gus O'Brien.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry R. Mooney, formerly of 115 West 71st st., have moved to Larchmont.

Mrs. Arthur Veel Rose will give a reception on Tuesday, November 24, at her home, 67 Riverside Drive, to meet Mrs. Albert A. Augustus, of Cleveland; Mrs. Charles Vincent Paterno, Mrs. W. J. Bruff, Mrs. J. Hegaman and other patronesses of the Italian Hospital and Red Cross ball, to be given on December 4 at the Waldorf-Astoria.

The Belleclaire Dorcas Society, Mrs. T. A. Lewis, president, and Mrs. Charles W. Taylor, secretary, met yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. F. J. Ficker, 251 West 98th st. The business meeting was followed by a reception.

The Pleiades Club will give a dinner to-night at the Hotel Brevoort. The toastmaster will be G. Warren Landon and the guest of honor, Don Marquis.

The private dances to be given by Mr. and Mrs. Noble McConnell at Breton Hall, beginning on Wednesday, December 2, will be for the choral members, bachelor girls, junior cabinet, their escorts and the gentlemen ushers of the New York Mozart Society. Mr. and Mrs. McConnell gave an apron and necktie dance on Wednesday at their home, 495 West End av.

A bazaar for the benefit of the

John V. Bouvier, Mrs. C. L. Brann, Mrs. L. C. Baldwin, Mrs. John Winthrop Chandler, Mrs. G. W. Connell, Mrs. William Moore Crofton, Mrs. B. C. Channing, Mrs. Gilbert Chapin, Mrs. H. J. Finlay, the Misses Finlay, Miss Sarah Pullen, Mrs. Hugh J. Grant, Mrs. Charles E. H. Gross, Mrs. Charles A. Harris, Mrs. Paul Lamarche, Miss Adele Le Barbier, Miss Julia Laine, Mrs. William C. Little, Miss Katherine McCann, Mrs. Charles McKenna, Mrs. W. Watson Magee, Mrs. E. J. Massemer, Mrs. Alfred D. Mitterdorf, the Misses Stokes, Mrs. H. T. Thomas, Mrs. K. Beach Thomson, Mrs. Bernard Toner, Mrs. Richard S. Treacy, Mrs. William Paterson Van Wyck, Mrs. S. H. Wakeman, Mrs. William Waters, Mrs. Charles Harper Walsh and Mrs. Stuart Pullman West.

A Thanksgiving sale for the benefit of the Silver Cross Day Nursery will be held at the Waldorf-Astoria on the afternoons and evenings of Thursday and Friday, Mrs. Arthur A. Stillwell is chairman of the fair, and among the women who have charge of the booths are Mrs. Judson C. Wells, toys; Mrs. John Ambrose, utility; Mrs. J. Clarence Sharp and Mrs. Homer Nichols, fancy; Mrs. Alfred E. Fountain, linen; Mrs. Frank Stevens, Mrs. Alexander Reed and Junior Auxiliary, Miss Nichols, president, refreshments; Mrs. Charles Parcher, stationery; West Side Auxiliary, Mrs. John E. Woods, president, will be in charge of the baby table, and the Lehigh Juniors, Miss Muriel Bliss, president, of the candy table.

Luncheon will be served and there will be dancing afternoon and evening.

The Colonial Auction Club, of which Mrs. Henry Baldwin Fischer, of 612 West 112th st., is president, held the first of its series of card parties Friday afternoon in the rose room of the Hotel Marquette. The meetings will be held on the second and fourth Fridays.

The first of a series of meetings of the Neighborhood Card Club was held last evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Walter Truss, in the Regmor, 601 West 115th st.

A new set of subscription dances, arranged by Mrs. Walter Pulitzer, begins on Friday, November 20, at the Biltmore. Among the subscribers are Mrs. O. H. Harriman, Mrs. Charles Louis Sicard, Mrs. John Philbrick Lafin, Mrs. Charles Vincent Paterno, Mrs. Frank Ernest Hadley, Miss Aida Taglia, Mrs. Horace Greeley Hart, Mrs. A. E. Hausbold and Mrs. Naham Franko.

Mrs. Austin Norman Palmer will hold a reception for club presidents on Saturday, November 21, from 3 until 6 o'clock, at her residence, 216 West 109th st.

ENGAGEMENTS IN BROOKLYN

Society Circles Deeply Interested in List of Announcements.

The past week is notable chiefly for the number of engagements which have been made known during it. The most recent is that of Miss Grace Marie Van Campen, daughter of Mrs. Henry Van Campen, of 379 Clinton av., and Dr. Winfield Scott Schley, son of the late Rear Admiral Schley. Dr. Schley makes his home at 24 West 45th st., Manhattan, but his mother now spends most of her time in Washington.

Of widespread interest is the announcement of the engagement and approaching marriage of Mrs. Mabel Anshel Moloney, of Manhattan, to